

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Giorgio Mari
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Title : Device for Separating Blood into Leukocyte Depleted Blood Components

Art Unit : 1797
Examiner : Sun U Kim
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MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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INTERVIEW SUMMARY

On December 10, 2010, Examiner John Kim and the Applicant's representative Mandy Jubang of Occhiuti Rohlicek & Tsao LLP conducted a telephone interview in which claim 21, as presented in the Submission under 37 CFR 1.114 dated December 9, 2010, was discussed in view of the Stewart and Nishimura references of record. The Examiner indicated that further amendment of claim 21 to include the one-way valve feature recited in claim 22 would overcome the Stewart reference of record. In the alternative, the Examiner indicated that further amendment of claim 21 to recite a physical structural unit for automated control of the plurality of valves would overcome the Stewart reference of record. The Examiner stated that claim 33 would be restricted out. No fee is believed due. Please apply any charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 50-4189, referencing Attorney Docket No. 7B901-004US1.

Respectfully submitted,

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